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**MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence**

This will confirm the matter raised at this morning's meeting during which you were asked to prepare a study of the reasons for relative inactivity on the part of the Communists in Southeast Asia, particularly in Laos and Vietnam. The study should include our assessment of the Soviet role and policy concerning Southeast Asia.

(Signed)

**Marshall S. Carter**  
**Lieutenant General, USA**  
**Acting Director**

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1. As discussed at this morning's meeting, the DCI and the Secretary of State have agreed that the Thompson ad hoc Committee will review and give general guidance on the substance of the briefings which the DCI will give in his forthcoming European trip.

2. Please make the necessary arrangements to table this matter before the Thompson group.

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